

CHANDLER CHUCK WAGON COOK-OFF

November 7-9, 2014



CALLING ALL COW CAMP COOKS

The Pardners of Tumbleweed Ranch, Biscuitflats Chuck Wagon and the Chandler Museum invite you to enter the Fifth Annual Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-Off!

Tumbleweed Ranch, Chandler, Arizona

<http://www.chandleraz.gov/chuckwagon>

The fun starts Friday, November 7, with school tours, trail wagon judging, a cooks' meeting, and dinner with our host wagon, Biscuitflats Chuck Wagon, followed by a campfire glow and cowboy singer. The real show begins on Saturday, when competing wagons will prepare 50 meals for the public, and each of your courses will be critiqued by a panel of local judges. Top the evening off with cowboy music and a campfire glow. Rise early on Sunday morning to prepare a judged breakfast for the public, with ticket sales split 50/50 between wagons and the Pardners. Wrap up your stay in Chandler by hosting a youngin' in a one pot Junior Cook-off.

PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE *(subject to change)*

Check-in is allowed on Wednesday, November 5.

Thursday, November 6:

Wagons arrive and camps are laid out

Friday, November 7:

9:30 a.m. - Wagons in place
10:00 a.m.- School tours
11 a.m. - Wagon judging begins
3 p.m. - Cooks' meeting
5 p.m. - Cooks' dinner
6 p.m. - Campfire Glow, S'mores, and Cowboy Singer
8 p.m. - Event closes to the public for the night

Saturday, November 8:

7:30 a.m.- Wagon team and volunteer breakfast goodies provided by Biscuitflats Chuck Wagon
8:30 a.m. - Wagon lunch menus posted on central chalkboards
9 a.m. - Gates open to the public
10 a.m. - Lunch tickets go on sale
11:45 a.m. - Judges' meals picked up from wagons by volunteer runners
Noon - Chuck wagon meals served to the public
2:30 p.m. - Awards

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6 p.m. - Campfire Glow, S'mores, and Cowboy Singers

8 p.m. - Event closes to the public for the night

Sunday, November 9:

8:30 a.m. - Wagon breakfast menus posted on central chalkboards

9 a.m. - Gates open to the public - Chuck wagon breakfast tickets on sale

9:45 a.m. - Judges' meals picked up from wagons by volunteer runners

10 a.m. - Breakfast meals served to the public

Noon - Junior Cook-off begins

2 p.m. - Junior Cook-off judging

3 p.m. - Awards for Junior Cook-off and Breakfast competition

4 p.m. - Event ends. Tear down begins – wagon teams are welcome to stay the night Sunday night

PRIZES

Show-up/travel: \$200 (plus your \$50 returned deposit)

Saturday: Prize money for each food category:

Meat	1 st : \$250	2 nd : \$150	3 rd : \$100
Beans	1 st : \$250	2 nd : \$150	3 rd : \$100
Bread	1 st : \$250	2 nd : \$150	3 rd : \$100
Potatoes	1 st : \$250	2 nd : \$150	3 rd : \$100
Dessert	1 st : \$250	2 nd : \$150	3 rd : \$100
Best overall meal	1 st : \$300	2 nd : \$200	3 rd : \$100

1st most authentic Trail Wagon: \$250

2nd most authentic Trail Wagon: \$150

Sunday:

Cowboy Breakfast Recognition Awards for: Biscuits and Gravy, Potatoes, Best Overall Breakfast

Charlie Goodnight Award (Unique Award)

Total ticket sales for breakfast meals split 50/50 between wagon teams and museum.

You must fill out and return a W-9 form which will be provided. This will ensure that the City of Chandler will be able to write you a check for your show-up money and any award money you may earn.

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JUDGING AND RULES

Double blind judging will be used for the food judging. For the main lunch competition (Saturday), each wagon will be judged on five courses: meat, beans, bread, potatoes, and dessert. Bread may be yeast, sourdough, cornbread, or biscuits. The fruit provided by the cook-off must be the main ingredient used in the dessert. Each wagon will prepare meals for 50 ticket holders, so portion your food accordingly. You will be provided with:

- 5 lbs beans
- 1 gallon cooking oil
- 25 lbs flour
- Fruit
- 20 lbs potatoes
- 12 onions
- 2 lbs butter
- 30 lbs beef
- Ice

Sunday's Cowboy Breakfast served by each wagon will include biscuits and gravy, potatoes and eggs. Other items such as fruit can be added at the discretion of the participating wagons. Each wagon will prepare meals for approximately 30 ticket holders. You will be provided with:

- 5 lbs flour
- 3 lbs pork sausage
- 2 ½ gal milk
- 8 dozen eggs
- 15 lbs potatoes
- 1 lbs butter

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JUDGING AND RULES CONTINUED

All food preparation must be done on site in the camp of the respective wagons.

All ingredients used in the competition must have been available in the chuck wagon cook of the 1860s—no commercially prepared seasonings, mixes, sauces or heavy cream allowed. Do not use boxed or prepared mixes, commercial sauces, frozen foods, mayonnaise, cheese or mushrooms.

The fruit provided by the Chandler Cook-off must be the primary ingredient and the “star” of the dessert.

Breakfast served by each wagon must be consistent and include: biscuits and gravy, potatoes and eggs. Other items such as fruit can be added at the discretion of the participating wagons.

Breads may be quick breads (such as biscuits), yeast, sourdough, or cornbread. It can be either loaf, rolls/biscuits, or skillet bread.

All cooking must be done on site over wood fires. Propane or stoves will not be allowed for food preparation during the competition.

Each wagon team will furnish their own cooking wood.

Liners, aluminum foil, and parchment paper are not allowed.

Please do not use peanut oil or any other products containing peanuts because of allergies.

Each wagon must have hand washing facilities. Your hand wash station must consist of a minimum 5 gallon insulated container with a free flowing spigot with a waste container 15% larger, soap and paper towels. Proper hand washing must be conducted during the event. Bare hand contact with ready to eat food is prohibited.

Each wagon must have and utilize a three part washing system for utensils and dishes: soapy wash, sanitizing rinse and final rinse.

You must bring your own instant read metal probe meat thermometer and bleach.

To comply with Maricopa County Health Department regulations, we will provide you with floor mats that will be placed under your food preparation area. Once cutting and preparation of the food is complete, the mats may be rolled up and removed.

No animals will be allowed in camp while the event is open to the public.

Other rules will be discussed and voted on by cooks during cooks meeting on Friday, November 8.

Are you ready to be this year's Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-off Champion?

Fill out and return pages 5, 6, and 7 of this packet!

Entrants will receive a confirmation upon receipt of registration.

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REGISTRATION

Outfit's Name: _____

Names of Wagon Crew: _____

Anticipated arrival date & time to the Ranch: _____

Anticipated departure date & time from the Ranch: _____

Mailing Address: Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Interested in demonstrating for elementary school tour groups on Friday, 10- noon? Past demonstrations (to groups of 15) included cooking, leatherworking, branding, quilting, and more. What would you like to showcase? _____

Are you willing to host one youth cook for Sunday's Junior Cook-off ? Yes No

Include a check for \$50 deposit (refunded upon arrival). Make checks payable to: **City of Chandler**

Send registration, W9 form, check, camp layout, camping request form to:

Jean Reynolds
City of Chandler, Museum Division
Mail Stop 305
P.O. Box 4008
Chandler, AZ 85244
Fax: 480-782-2875 Phone: 480-782-2751
jean.reynolds@chandleraz.gov

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The Chandler Fire Department has requested that all of our fire pits be dug by November 8 so that they can complete fire inspections. If you would like, City of Chandler workers will pre-dig your fire pit for you.

Please help us plan camp layouts by filling out the diagram below and returning with the application.

Would you like City workers to dig your fire pit for you? ____ Yes ____ No

WAGON NAME:

30'

30'

Serving meals on this side

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PLEASE SKETCH WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR FIRE PITS DUG AND RETURN WITH THE APPLICATION.

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City of Chandler

OVERNIGHT CAMPING REQUEST FORM

(Please return with the application)

The City of Chandler allows overnight camping in Tumbleweed Ranch as part of this event. If you plan to camp on-site overnight (under the stars, in a tent, or in an RV) you **must** fill out and return this Overnight Camping Request Form.

Wagon Team Name: _____

Name of Individual Making Request: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Information for Individuals Camping Overnight at Ranch:

Name(s) _____ Vehicle description _____ Lic. # _____

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Date(s) of Overnight Stay(s): _____

Anticipated arrival date & time to the Ranch: _____

Anticipated departure date & time from the Ranch: _____

Approved By: _____

Date: _____



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NEARBY AMENITIES

Chandler is a city of 250,000 people, and Tumbleweed Ranch is smack in the geographical center of the city. There are many modern amenities a very short drive from the Ranch.

Grocery Stores

Target, 3777 S. Arizona Avenue (1.5 miles)
Target, 3931 S. Gilbert Road, Gilbert (2 miles)
Walmart, 1175 S. Arizona Avenue (2 miles)
Walmart, 2750 E. Germann Road (2 miles)
Fry's Food Store, 2010 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Sprouts Farmers Market, 2855 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Safeway, 4970 S. Alma School Road (4 miles)
Bashas' Grocery, 10325 E. Riggs Road, Sun Lakes (5 miles)

Wholesale Stores

Sam's Club, 1375 S. Arizona Avenue (2 miles)
Costco, 595 S. Galleria Way (5 miles)

Clothing Stores

Target, 3777 S. Arizona Avenue (1.5 miles)
Target, 3931 S. Gilbert Road, Gilbert (2 miles)
Walmart, 1175 S. Arizona Avenue (2 miles)
Walmart, 2750 E. Germann Road (2 miles)
Saba's Western Wear, 67 W. Boston Street (3 miles)
Chandler Fashion Center Mall, 3111 W. Chandler Boulevard (5 miles)
Wild West Mercantile, 7302 E. Main Street, Mesa (21 miles)

Restaurants (restaurants with a * are located in Historic Downtown Chandler)

Hangar Café, 1725 E. Ryan Road #1 (1 mile)
Filiberto's Mexican Restaurant, 930 E. Pecos Road #1 (1.5 miles)
El Palacio, 2950 E. Germann Road (2 miles)
Firehouse Subs, 2100 S. Gilbert Road #1 (2 miles)
Porkopolis BBQ, 1445 S. Arizona Avenue (2 miles)
Barro's Pizza, 1880 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Pitta Souvli Mediterranean Restaurant, 1940 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Chandler BBQ Company, 2040 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Garcia's Mexican Restaurant, 4210 S. Arizona Avenue (2 miles)
Natalia's 1912, 3140 S. Gilbert Road (3 miles)
New Mexican Grill, 3140 S. Gilbert Road (3 miles)
Keegan's Grill, 1095 W. Queen Creek Road (3 miles)
Sidelines Sports Grill, 2980 S. Alma School Road (3 miles)
Native New Yorker, 2885 S. Alma School Road (3 miles)

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Serrano's Mexican Restaurant, 141 S. Arizona Avenue (3 miles)*
Coach & Willie's Sports Bar, 1 E. Boston Street (3 miles)*
Brunchie's Breakfast and Lunch, 17 E. Boston Street (3 miles)*
Latitude 8 Thai Grill, 11 W. Boston Street (3 miles)*
Bourbon Jack's, 11 W. Boston Street (3 miles)*
Kokopelli Winery, 35 W. Boston Street (3 miles)*
DC Steakhouse, 98 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
Irish Republic, 58 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
Pizza Pizza, 48 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
InPockets Bakery, 40 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
El Zocalo Mexican Grill, 28 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
SanTan Brewing Company, 8 S. San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
AJ's Restaurant in the San Marcos Hotel, 1 San Marcos Place (3 miles)*
La Stalla Cucina Rustica, 68 W. Buffalo Street (3 miles)*
Eastwind Sushi, 58 W. Buffalo Street (3 miles)*
Guedo's Cantina Grille, 71 E. Chandler Boulevard (3 miles)*
Planet Sub, 250 S. Arizona Avenue (3 miles)*
Yoli's Café, 241 S. Oregon Street (3 miles)*

Gas Stations

Quiktrip, 2010 S. Arizona Avenue (1 mile)
Circle K, 1995 S. Arizona Avenue (1 mile)
AMPM, 1735 S. Cooper Road (1.5 miles)
Chevron, 1010 E. Pecos Road (1.5 miles)

Hardware Stores

Home Depot, 4141 S. Arizona Avenue (1.5 miles)
Lowe's, 4300 S. Arizona Avenue (1.5 miles)
Home Depot, 2530 E. Germann Road (2 miles)
Ace Hardware, 2925 S. Alma School Road (2 miles)
Ace Hardware, 4870 S. Gilbert Road (4 miles)

Camp Supplies

Brooksie's, 19039 S. Arizona Avenue (.5 mile)
Sport Chalet, 2650 E. Germann Road (2 miles)
Sports Authority, 3455 W. Frye Road (5 miles)
Sportsman's Warehouse, 1750 S. Greenfield Road, Mesa (12 miles)
Bass Pro Shops, 1133 N. Dobson Road, Mesa (16 miles)

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TRUCK, RV, AND TRAILER PARKING

Parking for trucks, RVs, and trailers will be provided immediately adjacent to the Ranch. Keep in mind that no hook-ups are available (no water or electric). If you plan on camping at the Ranch, please complete the form on the previous page and return it with your registration.

OFF-SITE OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

Local hotels include:

Fairfield Inn and Suites (5.5 miles)

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/PHXFF?groupCode=cwccwcb&app=resvlink&fromDate=11/11/11&toDate=11/13/11>

Courtyard Marriott (5.5 miles)

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/PHXCF?groupCode=cwccwcb&app=resvlink&fromDate=11/11/11&toDate=11/13/11>

Crowne Plaza San Marcos Golf Resort (3 miles)

<http://www.sanmarcosresort.com/>

Hampton Inn and Suites (5 miles)

<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/arizona/hampton-inn-and-suites-phoenix-chandler-fashion-center-az-PHXCRHX/index.html>

Hilton Phoenix Chandler (5 miles)

<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/arizona/hilton-phoenix-chandler-PHXCHHF/index.html>

Holiday Inn (4 miles)

<http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/chandler/phxch/hoteldetail>

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DIRECTIONS TO TUMBLEWEED RANCH

Address: 2250 S. McQueen Rd. Chandler, AZ 85286

- **From the West/North:** 202 Eastbound (San Tan portion) to McQueen Road. Turn right. Go straight through light at Germann Road. After Germann Road, take second right onto Ryan Road. Follow signs into Tumbleweed Ranch.
- **From the East:** 202 Westbound (San Tan portion) to McQueen Road. Turn left. Go straight through light at Germann Road. After Germann Road, take second right onto Ryan Road. Follow signs into Tumbleweed Ranch
- **From the South:** 1-10 Westbound to 202 Eastbound (San Tan portion) to McQueen Road. Turn Right. Go straight through light at Germann Road. After Germann Road, take second right onto Ryan Road. Follow signs into Tumbleweed Ranch

